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SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF SELECTED MAAGS

ATTENTION: ISA(SA)/DSAA

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1. MAAG INDIA (ODRI), PHYSICALLY LOCATED WITHIN THE EMBASSY, ENJOYS A SOMEWHAT UNIQUE SITUATION IN THAT THE NUMBER OF CURRENT ASSIGNED AMERICAN PERSONNEL (ONE OFFICER, ONE ENLISTED, AND ONE CIVILIAN SECRETARY) IS THE SAME AS OUR RECOMMENDED PERSONNEL MANNING SUBMITTED IN REF A. THUS, THE TERMINATION ACTION OUTLINED IN REF B SHOULD NOT AFFECT THE CONTINUITY OF OUR DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS WITH THE GOI IN ANY WAY. ASSIGNMENT OF THE THREE U.S. PERSONNEL TO EMBASSY STAFF WILL NOT REDUCE THE SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE GOI, NOR SHOULD IT AFFECT LIAISON ACTIONS WITH THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE.

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2. THE FACT THAT MAAG PAKISTAN (ODRP) HAS NOT BEEN

INCLUDED IN THE TERMINATION ACTION COULD LEND EMPHASIS
TO THE THINKING IN SOME CORNERS OF GOI THAT USG IS TIPPING
THE SCALES IN FAVOR OF ISLAMABAD. WE DO NOT WISH TO
PROVIDE FUEL TO THIS FORM OF REASONING. SINCE WE
CONSIDER THE TERMINATION OF MAAG INDIA TO BE MERELY AN
INTERNAL CHANGE IN EMBASSY STAFFING, WE DO NOT WISH TO
INFORM THE GOI, EITHER FORMALLY OR INFORMALLY, THAT THERE
HAVE BEEN ANY CHANGES. IF QUESTIONED BY GOI ON THE MATTER,
WE WOULD STATE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME INTERNAL CHANGES,
SOME TERMINATIONS, AND SOME REORGANIZATIONS, BUT SO FAR AS
SECURITY ASSISTANCE MATTERS BETWEEN USG AND GOI, IT'S
BUSINESS AS USUAL.
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